

# WEBSTER COUNTY UTILITY PERMIT

Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Owner/Utility \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Brief Description (Scope of work, location, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated construction period: Start Date \_\_\_\_\_ Completion Date \_\_\_\_\_

## CONDITIONS

(Applicant-Do not write below this line)

If a permit is granted to perform the above-described work, the following stipulations shall govern:

1. The County reserves the right to inspect and approve any construction work performed within its right-of-way as it relates to the condition of the highway; compliance shall be determined by the sole discretion of the County Engineer prior to installation; any waiver shall be attached to the permit.
2. The applicant shall file a completed location plan as an attachment to this Utility Permit Application. The location plan shall set forth the location of the proposed line on the secondary road system and include a description of the proposed work.
3. Applicant will notify the County Engineer forty-eight hours in advance of beginning work within Webster County right-of-way.
4. The utility company shall save Webster County harmless from any damages resulting from the negligence of the applicant. A certificate of insurance naming Webster County as an additional insured for the permit work or proof of self insurance shall be provided to the County Engineer prior to installation. The minimum limits of liability under the insurance policy or proof of self insurance shall be \$1,000,000.
5. The County Engineer may provide an inspector during the installation of all lines to insure compliance with this permit. The inspection shall be limited to any construction work performed within the right-of-way as it relates to the condition of the right-of-way; the utility owner shall provide reasonable cooperation.
6. Upon approval of the application by the Board of Supervisors, the Utility Permit will be issued by the County Engineer contingent upon the applicant's agreement to pay the actual cost directly attributable to the installation inspection, if any, conducted by the County Engineer. Prepayment of such cost is not required if the applicant posts a surety bond or other proof of financial responsibility, of which posting or showing may be made on an annual basis. Otherwise, a prepaid inspection fee of \$1,000 will be made payable to the County Treasurer. Upon completion of the installation, the County Engineer shall provide a statement for services rendered to the applicant. Such statement shall be paid within thirty (30) days of receipt. In the event of a prepaid inspection fee, the County Engineer shall provide a statement for services rendered and refund any excess payment to the application within forty-five (45) days.
8. The County Engineer may halt the work at any time if the applicant's work does not meet the requirements set forth in this Utility Permit.
9. In emergency situations, work may be initiated by an applicant without first obtaining a Utility Permit. However, the County Engineer shall be notified via telephone or fax as soon as possible and a Utility Permit must be requested within five (5) days of initiation of the work. All emergency work shall be done in conformity with the provisions of this permit and may be inspected for full compliance.
10. The applicant shall at any time subsequent to installation of utility lines, at the applicant's own expense, relocate or remove such lines as may become necessary to conform to new grades, alignment or widening of R.O.W. resulting from maintenance or construction operations for highway improvements.
11. In accordance with section 320.5 of the Code of Iowa, applicable gas mains and water mains described in Section 320.4 shall be granted a permit for a period not to exceed twenty (20) years. At the end of twenty years, if neither of the parties object in writing, the permit will automatically renew itself.
12. Construction requirements:
  - a) Traffic control shall comply with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
  - b) The minimum cover of utility facilities in the right-of-way shall be: 48" for electrical cables, 30" for communication cables, 36" for all others. In critical situations where necessary cover cannot be obtained, other protective measures may be approved. Webster County reserves the right to waive the minimum depth of installation where rocky terrain and/or other circumstances make it difficult to obtain the desired depth. Webster County shall determine the minimum depth in these situations. The County Engineer may require additional depth in areas identified as silted or scheduled for future excavation.
  - c) The applicant shall use reference markers in the right-of-way boundary to locate line and changes in alignment
  - d) All tile lines encountered during construction shall be protected in accordance with I.A.C. 199-9.2(479).
  - e) No underground utility lines shall cross over a driveway or cross-road drainage structure.

- f) Residents along the utility route shall have uninterrupted access to the public roads. An all weather access shall be maintained for residents adjacent to the project.
- g) A joint assessment of the road surfacing maybe made by the applicant and the County Engineer both before and after construction. After construction, granular surfacing shall be added to the road at the applicant's cost, if necessary, to restore the road to its original condition. After surfacing has been applied, the road surface may be jointly reviewed by the County Engineer and the applicant once the road has been saturated, to determine if additional surfacing on the roadway by the applicant is necessary.
- h) Areas within the R.O.W. damaged by the installation shall be repaired and restored to at least its former condition by the applicant or the cost of the repair work caused to be performed by the County Engineer will be assessed against the applicant.
- i) Areas disturbed during construction which create an erosion problem shall be solved by the applicant in a manner approved by the County Engineer.
- j) All trenches, excavations, and utilities that are knifed shall be properly tamped.
- k) Road crossings shall be bored. The depth below the road surface shall be a minimum depth of 48" for all utility facilities.

Special Provisions: \_\_\_\_\_

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**APPROVALS**

Secondary Road Dept. \_\_\_\_\_ (County Engineer) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Board of Supervisors \_\_\_\_\_ (Chairman) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date